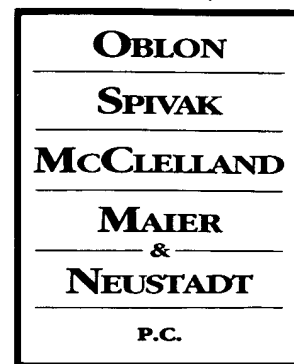




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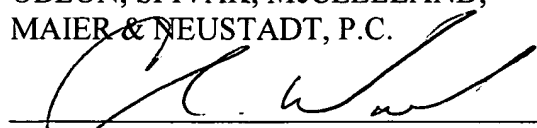
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 8, 2007, the Applicants elect with traverse the invention of Group II corresponding to Claims 7-9.

The Applicants respectfully traverse the restriction requirement based on the fact that the claims of the present invention would appear to be part of an overlapping search area. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully traverse the outstanding restriction requirement on the grounds that a search and examination of the entire application would not place an additional burden on the Examiner.

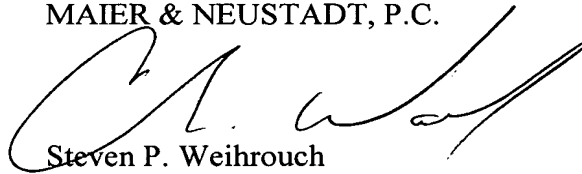
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Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the requirement to elect a single invention be withdrawn, and that a full examination on the merits of Claims 1-9 be conducted.

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